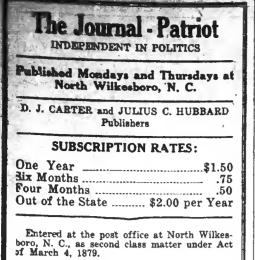
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Friendliness

Along the Blue Ridge Parkway and more especially in the developed park areas are signs which say: "Please do not pick the flowers-leave them for others to enjoy."

That is a most friendly suggestion and reminder.

The sign may be changed to read: Flower picking forbidden-fine \$500 or imprisonment for six months-or both."

But the National Park Service does not want to put up signs like that in areas devoted to rest, recreation and enjoyment of nature's beauty. That would not be in the spirit of the surroundings. People go to the parks for rest, enjoyment, refreshment and to get away from the "do" or "don't" rules and restrictions or ordinary humdrum life.

The Park Service wants to let the people do as they please as nearly as possible but the "please" do not pick flowers may have to be changed to "don't" if it is not obeyed.

It is very pretty to ride along the parkway and see the flowers. By letting them remain there thousands of others may get the same enjoyment. If we pick them, they wither and die.

The spirit of friendly helpfulness on the part of park service wardens, rangers and other employes is something to be appreciated. Public cooperation can keep it that way and may they never find it necessary to use stern measures.

Independent People

A historian familiar with the history of Wilkes county and northwestern North Carolina said in an address here once that if the United States should ever submit to dictatorial government the people of Wilkes and other areas near here would be the last to submit. He added to that statement by saying that they would die rather than lose their independence.

To our way of thinking, that was the highest compliment we have been privileged to hear about Wilkes people.

Our ancestors were hardy people who faced all kinds of hardships for the strke of living their lives as they wished. We hope we have not left off that spirit of independence. The University of North Carolina News Letter came out last week with a table showing the percentage of farm tenancy in North Carolina. We call attention to it because of the high rank of Wilkes county. Wilkes is seventh from the top with a percentage of 16.8, which is four points lower than 20.8 ten years ago. That means that more of our people are owning their own homes. The percentage of farm tenancy of 16.8 is small compared with 77.7 for Edgecombe, the highest in farm tenancy. Home ownership, and more especially farm ownership, is an outgrowth and result of independence. People who do not like to depend on others for their existence, and who wish to reach a state which enables them to live their own lives, seek first to obtain their homes. It is regrettable that so many of the places of habitation are not real homes. but progress is being made rapidly in that direction with ever increasingly high standard of living. All of them may not be homes in the highest sense of the word but they are owned by occupants, and that is the requisite step to progress.

bama. The Reynolds Metal Company aluminum plant was successfully operated on May 18th. Six months previous, the factory site was only an open field. In Germany, according to Alabama's Senator Lister Hill, it took a year to do a similar job This looks like another victory for the

American Way. R. S. Reynolds, president of the metals company bearing his name. is a Virginian; the company has its home office in Richmond, with plants in thirteen states, most of them concentrating on defense work.

Borrowed Comment LAND OF THE FREE

(Greensboro Daily News) At the peak of activity in the Fort Meade construction job. only six new members

were admitted to the Steamfitters' union. Overtime work was necessary; wages. \$150 a week. The electricians charged \$1 to \$2 a day for a working permit, and ad mitted no new members. The Carpenters' union took on all comers. Many were quickly discharged for incompetence, but their fees remained in the union treasury. It is the law.

Isn't it about time for some wag to ask tivation of corn in order to conwhether the British are singing, "For Hess a Jolly Good Fellow?"-Baltimore Sun.

A metropolitan area is what a city gets dry mulch of loose dirt on top when its chamber of commerce isn't satisfied with the census showing .- San Diego crops. Union.

It is said that the American bull fighter has a kind face. That must be a great consolation to the bull.-Cincinnati Enquirer.

A baby has four ways of self-expression. He laughs, he coos, he cries, and puts his foot in his mouth. Adults make use of the it was necessary to feed cattle, same methods .--- Toledo Blade.

They say this plane that is out of sight before it is heard is only a beginning. A later model will beat its own shadow in by that must be made when the sun nine minutes .- Milwaukee Journal.

In fascist Italy, a citizen of Milan dies in an attempt to eat 24 hard-boiled eggs. So much for a canard that these babies can would be something like this: swallow anything .--- Richmond Times-Dispatch.

LIFE'S BETTER WAY WALTER E. ISENHOUR, Hiddenite, N. C.

GOODNESS IS GREATNESS

News has been flashed throughout the sease have come about, in which world that Kaiser Wilhelm is dead. Up- case there is much added labor o wards of twenty years ago he was the most talked of man in the world, while he was that means a call to the fee at the head of the German government der ler to send out some right a and fighting the world war. Perhaps his way. Meanwhile the women folk: name was in almost every newspaper and religious publication on earth, and of course hated as no other man living at that After the world war we have heard time. little of him, realizing, however, that he lost the cause for which he was fighting. He had lived to be quite old. Perhaps he outlived all the rulers of the nations that



THE JOURNAL PATRICE, NORTH WILLESBORG, N. C.

JUNE DAY ON THE FARM More farming is going on in for stacking and jobs on the Wilkes this year than ever before, or it looks that way from observation in several parts of this large area we pridefully call "The State of Wilkes."

It is encouraging to see production of food and feed under way and during the past several days has been a good time to get a the eggs, get beans and potatoes good look at food production because it has been one of the bustest times of the entire year for clothes, pick cherries and ber-the men who gain their living ries, do general housework and a directly from the soil instead of indirectly, as all others do.

them for dinner, churn,

dark, catch a few hours of sleep

a June day on the farm.

Spain Approves

Similar demonstrations were

ield in Albacete, Barcelona and

Valencia In Barcelona Germar

officials appeared on the balcony

of the consulate and acknowledg

The Madrid demonstrators

wearing the blue shirts and red

berets of the uniform of the

The cabinet went into a new

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ed the cheers.

Farmers haven't had hardly. the time to get a good breath in things we forgot to mention as weeks because of the accumulative labor. We've talked with several and if we hadn't we would and processing of foods. know something about it anyway, having been along that way our- jobs possible the farm family selves without judgment good calls it a day some time after enough to stick to it.

The drought kept weeds from and begin about four a. m. next growing but added labor in many day to do it all, over again, and other ways for farm families. Dry weather means frequent culserve what precious bits of mois ture may remain in the soil and after the showers cultivation was essential for the same reason. A conserves moisture beneath and makes it immediately available to

Madrid, June 24.-Demonstraors led by uniformed falangists The drought has made it im marched through the streets of perative that farmers again plant Madrid and other Spanish cities gardens. The early vegetable today shouting approval of the plantings produced very little beaxis attack on Russia while the cause of the drought but it was government deliberated whether lucky for the farmers that secto permit them to translate into and plantings could be made and action their cry of "On to Mos in many cases have been during

cow!" the past two weeks. More than 10,000 uniformed Pastures became so short that falengists, students and other demonstrators paraded through thus increasing the chores for the Madrid and assembled outside the farm family. German embassy to applaud the

The wheat harvest has been a rushing process and is now in the process of completion. Like hay shines, wheat has gotta be har vested when it is. It won't wait,

Some of the multitudinous duties of a farm family put together in chronological order for one dry

At daylight about four a. m. state party, carried a banner sav the farmer gets drowsily out of ing "falange volunteers against bed, puts a fire in the kitchen range or lets his wife do that Russia," and the demonstrator. chore; next he visits the harn to shouted wild'y "death to comrange or lets his wife do that feed the mules and the cows, does munism- de; th to soviet Russia." the milking or calls on son or session to continue deliberations daughter for that chore. Ther there is the round of the chicken on the house to see about the water and Spanish volunteers to enlist in the war against Russia.

feed supply; that being all he has to do there unless unfavorable developments in the way of di house cleaning, disinfecting, etc

fought him, hated and opposed him, which

have cooked a real country breakfast, not a served, meet intee, one egg of perhaps court and coffee, but a replact for a working family who are going to Dowdy Is Named sarden irrigation equipment Head Of Merhants about \$10, national farm testars use a lot of energy before the

sett meal time sir hours in the High Point, June 24 .- The 39th distant future. After, that the convention of the North mules are harnessed and the cul-Carolina Merchants association adtivation begins. Over in the next journed her today after the adop field are shocks of wheat ready tion of resolutions offering "de termined and unqualified support' must list are so visible all over to President Roosevelt in the natithe farm that the farmer is peronal defense program and pledgplexed to know what to do first. ing to "keep prices on our mer Mother and daughter don't chandise as low as is consistent have much to do in the forenoon, with business practice.

just cook a big dinner (they don' Immediately ronowing adjourn-ment, the newly selected board of call it lunch), feed the pigs, get weeds out of the garden, gather directors met and elected George W. Dowdy, of Charlotte, president. from the garden and prepare and chose the other officers for the ensuing year. wash

C. C. Sheil, of Roanoke Rapids and F. R. Stout, of Greensboro were elected first and second vice thousand and one other things. In the afternoon is a continuation presidents, rspectfully. Willard L. Dowell. of Raleigh, veteran execuof the same with all the other tive secretary, and T. C. Hinkle, of Lexington, treasurer, were reelect-

being in forenoon duties, which ed. R. B. Tomlinson, of Raleigh, would of course include canning was reappointed field secretary. After getting around to all the

Farmer Takes No Chances with 'Chutist

Jacksonville, Fla., June 24 .-Florida farmer is taking no chance, on "enemy prachutists, That is a part of the picture of Aviation Cadet Charles P. Can an, ordered to "bail out" by his flying instructor when their plane was caught in a sudden storm, landed safely, sought a telephone to report to the neval air station: **German Attack** The first man he met, he said, was a farmer with a shotgun who wanted to know who he was and

why he jumped out. Cadet Canhan expained and the farmer apologized for his suspicions, saying he thought he

was "one of those enemy parahutists." P. S. The instructor made

safe emergency landing. Lincoln, by the light of a candle and not by the learning of a

college, improved himself, and then improved his opportunity.





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Beating Hitler

American methods are often criticized by those who claim the totalitarian way is the only way to get full efficiency. Now and then an instance comes to light that refutes the efficiency argument of the dictator-lovers. Such a case in point is found in the recent start of aluminum production in the Muscle Shoals area in Ala-

is rather strange. Only God knows why It is claimed that something like ten million lives were lost during the world war, which is perhaps the greatest slaughter of human beings ever known in all annals of history, especially in that length of time. It is dreadful to contemplate. Now that the most hated man of all the world during the horrible world war is gone, we find that he goes practically "unwept. unhon-ored and unsung." It seems that even his own nation pays him little attention. Suppose the Kaiser had led an army that would have won ten million souls to Jesus Christ, what a great difference it would have made! His departure would have been mourned by millions and millions of people throughout the entire world. Multitudes would now rise up and call him blessed and pay homage to his matchless name. When a man dies who has caused thousands and millions to be killed it seems that nobody much weeps and mourns his departure. Nations may take notice of his death, but they do not weep. On the other hand when a mighty man of God departs, who has won multitudes of precious souls to Christ, who has blessed the world while living and after he departs, he is honored and respected, lauded and praised by multitudes. Indeed only goodness is greatness. It lasts for time and eternity.

"Lives of great men all remind us We can make our lives sublime, And, departing, leave behind us, Footprints on the sands of time."

How true this verse from Longfellow! He indeed left "footprints on the sands of time" himself, so have many others. If men could but realize that only true goodness is greatness, and that saving life is a million times more commendable and glorious and worth while than destroying life, surely they would turn to God instead of the devil. Indeed goodness is greatness. This is life's better way.



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